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Sen. Allen announces Mancelona to receive \$330,000 for cleanup

LANSING – The village of Mancelona will receive \$330,000 to cleanup the site of a former dry cleaner, announced state Sen. Jason Allen, R-Traverse City.

The funds will allow the village of Mancelona to install and operate a treatment system to remove the risk of tetrachloroethylene (PCE) contamination in the soil and groundwater.

“This is wonderful news for the village of Mancelona and Antrim County,” Allen said. “We need to do everything in our power to restore this site for future development and to protect the health and welfare of the citizens of Mancelona.”

Formerly the location of dry cleaner, cleaning solvents containing PCE were used at the site.

According to the Department of Environmental Quality, PCE was detected in the soil and groundwater at levels exceeding water and surface water criteria, while indoor air sample of residences have also identified PCE exceeding acceptable indoor air concentrations.

Soil vapor extraction and groundwater sparge systems will be installed and operated by the DEQ until the contaminant concentrations are significantly reduced.

“This is important to the health of Mancelona residents and our environment,” Allen said. “I am glad to see the funds appropriated to clean up this site.”

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